

**PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**  
Prairieville, Louisiana

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
(Reviewed)

December 31, 2010

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Release Date

8/24/11

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Prairieville, Louisiana

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

Board of Directors  
Prairieville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.  
Prairieville, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and net assets - modified cash basis of **PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.** (a non-profit organization) (Department) as of December 31, 2010, and the related statement of revenues, expenses and net assets - modified cash basis for the year then ended. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of Department management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.

Our responsibility is to conduct the review in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our report.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements for them to be in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting.

*Faulk & Winkler, LLC*

Certified Public Accountants

Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
March 21, 2011

**PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

Prairieville, Louisiana

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

December 31, 2010

(See Independent Accountants' Review Report)

**ASSETS**

**CURRENT ASSETS**

Cash	\$	271,365
Investments - certificates of deposit		90,309
Due from Ascension Parish Council		<u>16,613</u>

Total current assets 378,287

**PROPERTY - net of accumulated depreciation** 53,230

Total assets \$ 431,517

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

Payroll liabilities \$ 2,317

**NET ASSETS - unrestricted** 429,200

Total liabilities and net assets \$ 431,517

The accompanying notes to the financial statements  
are an integral part of this statement.

**PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

Prairieville, Louisiana

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

For the year ended December 31, 2010

(See Independent Accountants' Review Report)

**REVENUES AND SUPPORT**

Support from Ascension Parish Council	\$	360,645
Insurance rebate		88,501
Legal settlement		41,000
Other public support		4,934
Interest		<u>355</u>
Total revenues and support		<u>495,435</u>

**EXPENSES**

Payroll		413,553
Depreciation		10,343
Banquet		8,532
Supplies		6,088
Professional fees		4,098
Training		3,800
Maintenance		1,713
Other		<u>7,202</u>
Total expenses		<u>455,329</u>

Increase in net assets		40,106
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**NET ASSETS**

Beginning of year, as restated		<u>389,094</u>
End of year	\$	<u><u>429,200</u></u>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements  
are an integral part of this statement.

**PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**  
Prairieville, Louisiana

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

(See Independent Accountants' Review Report)

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Operations**

Prairieville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (Department) is a non-profit corporation within the meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. The purpose of the Department is to provide fire protection, emergency medical service, and hazardous materials handling to the citizens of Fire District 3 in Ascension Parish.

**Basis of accounting**

The Department prepares its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting but includes depreciation of capitalized assets and amounts due from Ascension Parish. Under this basis, revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned, and expenses are recognized when cash is disbursed rather than when the obligation is incurred. As such, these statements are not intended to present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Department reports information regarding their financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. The Department does not have any temporarily or permanently restricted net assets at December 31, 2010.

**Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts and related disclosures of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used primarily when accounting for depreciation.

**Income Taxes**

The Department is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation.

The Department follows FASB ASC 740-10, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*. Management of the Department believes it has no material uncertain tax positions and, accordingly it has not recognized any liability for unrecognized tax benefits.

## NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### **Revenue recognition**

The Department is primarily funded by an allocation of dedicated sales tax proceeds. Supplementary funding is provided by donations solicited from the general public, local businesses, and civic organizations, which are recognized as received.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Department considers cash in bank accounts as cash. Cash equivalents include investments with original maturities of three months or less. The Department has no cash equivalents at December 31, 2010.

### **Investment valuation and income recognition**

Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement Standards Codification, *Fair Value Measurements*, (ASC 810), establishes a framework for measuring fair value which provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the sources of pricing information (inputs) to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The highest priority is given to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 810 are described as follows:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Department has the ability to access. The Department does not have any level 1 inputs at December 31, 2010.

Level 2 – Inputs including:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs that are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. The Department does not have any Level 3 inputs at December 31, 2010.

Certificates of deposit are recorded at cost, which approximates fair market value using level 2 inputs.

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Receivable**

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect and consists of amounts due from the Ascension Parish Council (the Parish) as reimbursement for payroll expenses.

**Fair value of financial instruments**

The carrying value of cash, receivables and liabilities approximates fair value due to the short-term maturity of these instruments. Financial instruments are not held for trading purposes.

**Equipment and depreciation**

Equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated service lives of the assets.

**NOTE 2 - PROPERTY**

A summary of property, related service lives, and accumulated depreciation at December 31, 2010, is as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Service Lives</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fire equipment	5 years	\$ 40,435
Furniture and fixtures	5 years	<u>27,280</u>
Total		67,715
Less accumulated depreciation		<u>(14,485)</u>
Net		<u>\$ 53,230</u>

Depreciation expense was \$10,343 for the year ended December 31, 2010.

**NOTE 3 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Since the Department provides a service that would otherwise be provided by the Parish; the Parish provides support to the Department. Additionally, the Parish assumes certain costs and provides the facilities and equipment used by the Department.



**NOTE 4 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

The Department derives a significant portion of its revenues from the Parish of Ascension, the loss of which would have a material adverse affect. During the year ended December 31, 2010, revenue derived from the Parish accounted for approximately 74% of total revenue.

**NOTE 5 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT**

During 2010, a prior period adjustment was recorded to correct an error for an amount due from the Parish of Ascension for \$31,872 which was not previously recorded in the 2009 financial statements.

**NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

In preparing the financial statements, the Department has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through March 21, 2011, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**  
Prairieville, Louisiana

**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON  
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

December 31, 2010



**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON  
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

Board of Directors  
Prairieville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.  
Prairieville, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the **PRAIRIEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.** (Department), solely to assist you in evaluating the management's assertions about the Department's compliance with the certain laws and regulations for the year ended December 31, 2010. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and applicable provisions of *Government Auditing Standards*, published by the United States Comptroller General. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

With respect to your representations relating to the federal, state, and local awards compliance, as of December 31, 2010, and for the year then ended, we applied the following agreed-upon procedures:

1. Determine the amount of federal, state and local award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year.

The Department received the following grants:

<u>Grant description</u>	<u>Amount expended</u>
Sales & Use dedicated tax – Parish of Ascension	\$ 360,645
Insurance rebate – Parish of Ascension	88,501

The Department did not receive any federal awards during 2010.

2. For each federal, state, and local award, we performed the following procedures:

We randomly selected six disbursements from the awards administered during the period under examination, and traced the disbursements to supporting documentation as to proper amounts and payees. All disbursements received approval from proper authorities, and were properly coded to the correct funds and general ledger accounts. Based on our review of disbursements, the local awards complied with the local agreements, in terms of eligibility, and reporting; however, local awards did not comply in terms of activities allowed and disallowed. The Department expended awarded funds on food products and flowers which were distributed to the general public. These expenditures are unallowed and should be reviewed with the Parish of Ascension.

3. No programs were closed in 2010.
4. The open meetings law is not applicable to the Department.
5. For all grants exceeding five thousand dollars, the grantor is required to provide the grantee with a comprehensive budget.

There were no grants received in 2010.

6. There were no reported prior year comments and recommendations

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be to express an opinion on the compliance with the laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors and management of the Prairieville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*Faust & Winkler, LLC*

Certified Public Accountants

Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
March 21, 2011

**LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE**  
**(For Attestation Engagements of Quasi-public Agencies)**

March 21, 2011

Faulk & Winkler, LLC  
6811 Jefferson Hwy.  
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of December 31, 2010 and for the period then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulation and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on the information available to us as of (date of completion/representation).

**Federal, State, and Local Awards**

We have detailed for you the amount of federal, state and local award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year.

Yes ☒ No ☐

All transactions relating to federal, state, and local grants have been properly recorded within our accounting records and reported to the appropriate state, federal, and grantor officials.

Yes ☒ No ☐

The reports filed with federal, state, and local agencies are properly supported by books of original entry and supporting documentation.

Yes ☒ No ☐

We have complied with all applicable specific requirements of all federal, state, and local programs we administer, to include matters contained in the OMB Compliance Supplement, matters contained in the grant awards, eligibility requirements, activities allowed and unallowed, and reporting and budget requirements.

Yes ☒ No ☐

### Open Meetings

Our meetings, as they relate to public funds, have been posted as an open meeting as required by R.S. 42:1 through 42:13 (the open meetings law).

N/A

Yes ☐ No ☐

### Budget

For each federal, state, and local grant we have filed with the appropriate grantor agency a comprehensive budget for those grants that included the purpose and duration, and for state grants included specific goals and objectives and measures of performance

Yes ☒ No ☐

### Prior Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

N/A

Yes ☐ No ☐

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the federal, state, and local grants, to include the applicable laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We will also disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies any known noncompliance that may occur up to the date of your report.

X Joseph R. Cocore

Treasurer 5/24/2011 Date